

## Our Lady of Peace Family of Parishes

Holy Family - Holy Name of Jesus - Our Lady of Sorrows

#### NOVEMBER 30, 2025 | FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Pastor: Rev. Paul Gebhardt, Sr. Parochial Vicar: Rev. John Civille, Parochial Vicar: Rev. Benjamin Mersch, Deacons: John Lyons, Bill Schaefer, Larry Gronas, & Jack Schaefer

### **Our Lady of Peace**

w: olopeace.org

### **Holy Family**

201 Clark Street, Middletown, OH 45042 p: 513-422-0602, f: 513-424-7416 w: holyfamilymiddletown.com

#### Weekend Mass Schedule

#### **Holy Trinity Church**

201 Clark Street

Sunday 9:00 am (Live streamed)

#### St. John Church

1405 First Avenue

Saturday 4:30 pm & Sunday 10:30 am Reconciliation: Saturday 3:30 pm

### St. John XXIII Catholic School

3806 Manchester Road Middletown, OH 45042

p: 513-424-1196, f: 513-464-9955

w: stjohn23school.org

## **Holy Name of Jesus**

222 Hamilton Ave., Trenton, Ohio 45067 p: 513-988-6335 (office), 513-988-9348 (parish hall), f: 513-330-9849

w: holynameofjesuscatholicchurch.org

e: holynamercc@gmail.com

#### Weekend Mass Schedule

Sunday - 8:30 am

#### **Reconciliation (Confessions)**

2nd & 4th Wednesdays 6:30-7:00 pm Sundays 7:30-8:00 am

## **Our Lady of Sorrows**

330 Lebanon St., Monroe, Ohio 45050 p: 513-539-8061, f: 513-539-0443

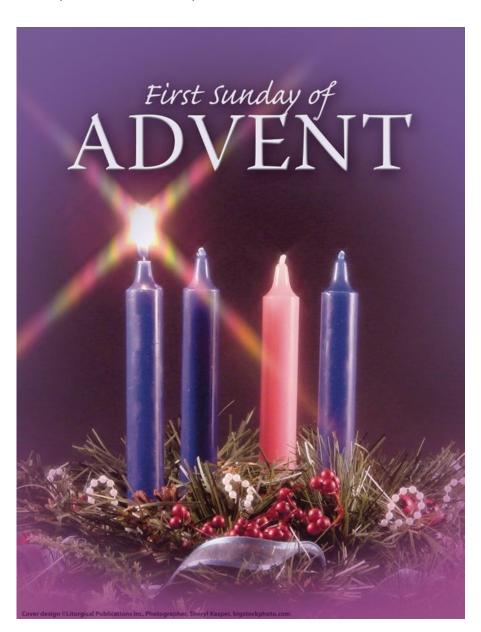
w: olosmonroe.com e: olos@cinci.rr.com

#### Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday - 4:00 pm, Sunday - 10:30 am

## Reconciliation (Confessions)

1st & 3rd Wednesdays 6:30-7:00 pm Saturdays 3:00-3:30 pm



## **Upcoming Events**

Bless the Children St. John Church	Dec 7
Donut Sunday St. John Church	Dec 7
Young at Heart Holy Name	Dec 7
Advent Breakfast Holy Name	.Dec 7
Feast of the Immaculate Conception	Dec 8

## WELCOME



#### Readings for the week of November 30, 2025

**Sunday:** Is 2:1-5/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44

Monday: Is 4:2-6/Mt 8:5-11 Tuesday: Is 11:1-10/Lk 10:21-24 Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a/Mt 15:29-37 **Thursday:** Is 26:1-6/Mt 7:21, 24-27 Friday: Is 29:17-24/Mt 9:27-31

**Saturday:** Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8 Next Sunday: Is 11:1-10/Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12

#### **Introductions to Sunday Readings:** by Bishop Ken Untener, in collaboration with Catherine Haven & Fr. Bill Taylor



#### First Reading - Isaiah 2:1-5

The prophet Isaiah dreamed of a day when Jerusalem (sometimes called Zion) would be the center of the world, and all people would come there to receive instruction from God. In today's reading, Isaiah presents a vision of peace and prosperity for the whole world.

#### Second Reading - Romans 13:11-14

Behind everything Paul wrote was his strong belief that the hour of Christ's return in glory was near at hand. In this passage, Paul uses the image of darkness and light to describe how Christians ought to live as they await that coming.

#### Parish Staff

HF Phone Number......513-422-0602

HF Business Manager: Theresa Hurlburt HF Admin Assistant: Kathi Mangus HF Religious Education: Joseph Barnett HF Bulletin Editor: Angie Cathcart HF Hispanic Ministry: Cristina Ryan HF Music Ministry: Joseph Barnett HF Music Ministry: Mike Kramer HF Facilities Manager: Beverly Mabry

#### HNOJ Phone Number......513-988-6335

HNOI Accountant: Connie Schenck HNOJ Secretary: Sharon McDonough HNOJ Religious Education: Rebecca Lewis HNOJ Music Ministry: Michelle Markert HNOJ Dc. Larry Gronas: Pastoral Associate

OLOS Phone Number......513-539-8061

OLOS Religious Education: Gene Haas OLOS Business Manager: Ava Bertsch OLOS Office & Technology Mgr: Bob Drusky **OLOS Bulletin Editor: Patrice Prebles** OLOS Pastoral Associate: Karen Redmond **OLOS Maintenance: Joe Scarpa** 

OLOS Music Ministry: Michelle Markert

**Bulletin/Announcement Deadline:** Friday at noon - 1 week in advance via email to your parish office.

MASS SCHEDULE FOR OUR LADY OF PEACE							
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
HOLY TRINITY CHURCH	N/A	N/A	12:10 PM	12:10 PM	8:00 AM	N/A	9:00 AM 2:00 PM Spanish
ST JOHN CHURCH	N/A	*8:15 @ St. John XXIII School	N/A	N/A	N/A	4:30 PM	10:30 AM
HOLY NAME OF JESUS	N/A	8:30 AM	8:30 AM	8:30 AM	N/A	N/A	8:30 AM
OUR LADY OF SORROWS	8:30 AM	N/A	N/A	6:00 PM	9:00 AM	4:00 PM	10:30 AM

Baptisms	Contact your Parish Office. Baptismal preparation is required.
Marriages	Contact your Parish Office at least 6 months before the desired date.
Vocations	Contact a member of your pastoral staff or visit cincinnativocations.org.
Pastoral Care of the Sick	May be arranged through your Parish Office.
Becoming Catholic	
St. John XXIII Catholic School	Parish school for Preschool—8th Grade—www.stjohn23school.org.



**OUR DOORS ARE OPEN:** No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church, no matter what your current family and marital situation, no matter what your personal history, age, background, race, etc., no matter what your own self-image, you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected here at Our Lady of Peace Family of Parishes.

## COMMUNITY

## **SVDP 5th Sunday Collection This**



**Sunday...**SVDP 5th Sunday Collections occur four times a year and makes possible the Pantry, Help Line and Outreach Ministries. For your convenience, we've included a special "SVDP 5th Sunday" envelope in the June pack for Holy Family parishioners. Our Lady of Sorrows parishioners will find green envelopes in the back of the Church. Please make your check payable to Saint Vincent de Paul. You can place your donation in the collection baskets at the front of the churches or mail it in or drop it off at the parish offices. Thanks!

## Feast of our Lady of Guadalupe **Celebration in Spanish**





Join in this special celebration full of love and blessings with Our Mother of Heaven, Patroness of the Americas. Everyone is invited to this celebration!

### **Special Clothing Collection...**

Our parishes will conduct a special collection for the Middletown Interfaith Clothes Closet. Anyone who wishes to participate is asked to donate a new or gently used coat for men and women. No children's sizes please - the Clothes Closet has mostly adult clients. These necessary clothing items will fill the shelves of the Middletown Interfaith Clothes Closet where needy families can receive clothing at no charge.

- Holy Family Parishioners Please place your donation in the blue bins at the church doors.
- Holy Name Parishioners Please place your donation in the bins at the back of the church.
- Our Lady of Sorrows Please place your donation in the basket in the gathering space.



Thank you!

#### Middletown Interfaith Clothes Closet

#### PRAYER FOR ADVENT

#### **Bless God's Holy Name!**

Prepare our hearts for Your coming, Lord. Awaken them from any places that have become sleepy or despondent. Inspire us with new visions. Be with us as we climb closer to You. Amen.

**Save the Date** K of C Pancake Breakfast with Special Guest -**SANTA!!** 



Sunday, Dec 14<sup>th</sup> 9:00 AM - Noon

St. John Undercroft

## 1405 First Ave. Middletown, OH 45042

Come and enjoy fresh, homemade pancakes (plain and chocolate chips) plus eggs, sausage, coffee, water, OJ and milk. There will be arts and crafts for the kids to do as well. Cost: Adults \$10 Children under 12 - \$5 All proceeds benefit St. John XXIII School!

## The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary



**Holy Day of Obligation** Monday, December 8<sup>th</sup>

## Monday, December 8<sup>th</sup>

8:15 AM St. John XXIII Catholic School 8:30 AM Our Lady of Sorrows / Monroe 6:30 PM St. John Church / Middletown 7:00 PM Holy Name of Jesus/Trenton

## Mass in Spanish...

2 PM at Holy Trinity Church...



Please join us for Mass every Sunday at 2 PM at Holy Trinity Church. All are welcome.

## COMMUNITY

### Bible Study... Revelation: The Kingdom Yet to Come

In January, we will be offering a new Bible Study: Revelation: The Kingdom Yet to Come Beginning on Thursday January 8 from 7:00 to 8:30 pm in the Our Lady of Sorrow's Parish Hall,

we will be offering 11 Thursday evening sessions on Revelation: The Kingdom Yet to Come. Perhaps no book of the Bible fascinates people more than Revelation. Yet relatively few people have studied it, especially from a Catholic perspective. Revelation: The Kingdom Yet to Come offers an intriguing look at one of the most talkedabout books in

Scripture. In this study, presenter Jeff Cavins pulls back the veil on the rich symbolism present in Revelation. Discover what the mysterious figures and images of Revelation mean and see how Revelation is more than an apocalyptic vision of the "end times." Although Revelation: The Kingdom Yet to Come is focused on Catholic doctrine and teaching, everyone - Catholic or non-Catholic - is welcome. In fact, we encourage you to invite friends to come with you.

To register, sign up on the poster in the Gathering Space at Our Lady of Sorrows or email Jack at olos@cinci.rr.com or call the OLOS office at 513-539-8061 and leave a message for Jack. For each participant workbook needed, bring \$25 cash or a check payable to Our Lady of Sorrows to the first meeting on Thursday, January 8 at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall. All OLOP parishioners are welcome!

#### OCIA - Order of Christian Initiation of Adults 10:30 AM Mass Today Rite of Entrance into the Order of Catechumens

The OCIA candidates express, and the Church accepts, their intention to respond to God's call to follow the way of Christ. Who is responsible for the OCIA candidates, those who are seeking to be fully initiated into the Catholic Church?



#### **WE ALL ARE!**

Our faith is a gift, not for us alone, but for all. It is for us to share.

We are asked to pray for them, to give them support and good example. Bringing new members into the Church is part of what we are commissioned to do by Christ through our baptism.

## OCIA Prayer

Lord, we pray for those who journey to you. Strengthen their faith.

Open their hearts to the fullness of your love. Deepen their understanding.

Set their hearts afire for the kingdom. We ask this through Jesus, who is the Way,

the Truth, and the Life for all. Amen.

#### LIVE THE LITURGY

#### INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

"You do not know on which day your Lord will come," Jesus says. He is reminding us that we do not know the mind of God. But we do know the heart of God, and we know that it is filled with mercy for those who heed the warning: Stay awake!



#### **Collection for Our Lady of Peace Family of Parishes**

- (1) Please do not make checks payable to Our Lady of Peace. The legal entity has not yet been established.
- (2) Any checks or envelopes designated for a specific parish will go to the designated parish.
- (3) Please write checks payable to the parish you want to receive your donation.

Thank you for your generosity!

## HOLY FAMILY

#### **The Colors of Advent**

Advent has a two-fold character: as a season to prepare for Christmas when Christ's first coming to us is remembered, and as a season when that remembrance directs our minds and hearts to await Christ's second coming at the end of time. Advent is a period of devout and joyful expectation. This is very different from the penitential nature of Lent. Therefore, some parishes, Holy Family included, use blue violet during Advent to preserve the traditional use of purple, while providing a visual distinction between the purple or red violet of Lent.



## **Please Bring Giving Tree Gifts** to the Parish Office ASAP!



Our friends at Messiah Lutheran will deliver the ANGEL tag gifts at a Christmas party they have in early December and the SVDP will organize the BELL, ORNAMENT & TREE tag gifts with the help of the PREP kids on Monday, Dec 8<sup>th</sup>!

It takes time to move gifts from the churches and office and to organize them for the kids who look so forward to receiving them. You'll want to get your gift delivered in time!

## Pray the Rosary - Wednesdays at 7 PM

Join fellow parishioners and friends praying the Rosary together on Wednesday nights.

"The Rosary is spiritual medicine." POPE FRANCIS



## **SHALOM Volunteers Needed**

January 25<sup>th</sup> - February 1<sup>st</sup>





Holy Family Parish will be hosting guests from SHALOM again this year from Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup>- February 1<sup>st</sup>. If you are willing to host a dinner (5:30 PM) or a breakfast (8:00 AM) more details will follow on how you can help.

Last year Our Lady of Sorrows Church and the PREP students helped with SHALOM.

Gather some friends together to help others. Our guests also appreciate any snacks, cookies, or fruit during the week. If you can't provided food, we always welcome friends to come to the center from 7 -9:30 PM to share time with the guests. Holy Family will also need at least two members each evening to spend the night.

## **First Sunday of Advent**

Sunday - November 30<sup>th</sup>

Time for Advent wreaths! 2025 Advent / Christmas Brochure

This annual brochure is handed out along with calendars by neighborhood reps. Find it online at www.holyfamilymiddletown.com.

#### **Christmas Flower Fund**

If you would like to remember your deceased loved ones by donating to the Christmas Flower Fund, please use the envelope in the December packet and drop it in the collection basket. The list of names will be posted at the front and back of the churches for Christmas. Want to be sure your loved one's name is correctly spelled and **included in the list?** Please *print the name* and make your donation by Sunday, Dec 14<sup>th</sup>.

#### Christmas Home Visits

Fr. Civille will be visiting homebound parishioners during the Christmas Season. If you or someone you know would like a visit with Communion / Reconciliation, please call the parish office 513-422-0602 or email Kathi kathi@holyfamilymiddletown.com.

#### Adoration

When: Thursdays after 12:10 PM Mass until 3:00 PM

Where: Holy Trinity Church

Holy Family has Adoration every Thursday after the 12:10 PM Mass at Holy Trinity. Please enter and exit through the ramp door.

## HOLY FAMILY

#### **HOLY FAMILY MASS SCHEDULE**

#### Saturday and Sunday - November 29 and November 30

4:30 PM Mass SJ Calvin & Martha Moon - Anniv. Rem.

9:00 AM Mass HT Richard Ristaneo

This Mass live streamed and available on the website anytime.

10:30 AM Mass SJ Oscar & Betty Koeppel - Birthday Rem.

#### Monday, December 1

No Mass

Tuesday, December 2

8:15 AM Mass SJ23 Ruth M. Meyer

Wednesday, December 3

12:10 PM Mass HT Judy Walters - Birthday Remembrance

Thursday, December 4

12:10 PM Mass HT Kitty Dillon Day

Friday, December 5

8:00 AM Mass HT Rev. John R. Jack

Saturday, December 6

4:30 PM Mass SJ Frank & Judy Pressler

Sunday, December 7 Second Sunday of Advent

9:00 AM Mass HT Barbara Sutton

10:30 AM Mass SJ Maria C. Saraceno - Anniversary Rem.

#### **Weekly Collections Stewardship**

Sunday, November 16<sup>th</sup> \$29,910.21 **Campaign for Human Development** \$ 1,228.00

Thank you for your generous stewardship!

Due to the early bulletin submissions for the rest of this year the weekly stewardship amounts will be 2 weeks behind.

#### MINISTERS NEXT WEEK

Dec 6/7	4:30 PM SAT	9:00 AM SUN	10:30 AM SUN
Eucharistic	Barbara Heinle 1B	Barb VonderHaar 1B	Christine Whittington 1B
Ministers	Frances Sack 2B	Jason Dwenger 2B	PJ Bush 2B
	Lynn Hawkins 3B	Susan Combs 3B	Amie Earls 3B
	Susan McCulley 1C	Marlene Ruwe 1C	Linda Jester 1C
	Carolyn Kraft 2C	Joe Sagan 2C	Sue Mulligan 2C
Lectors	Kelley Hale	Henrietta Nye	Janet Zappia
	Stephanie Burk	Ed Combs	Joe Zappia
Server	Dick Montgomery	Alaina Dane	Vincent Bell
Greeters	Barbara Heinle D1	Kathy Farler D1	Puthoffs D1
		Jinnie Raney D2	

In Your Prayers Remember Janet Chase at Traditions of Lebanon, Arlene Selby at Atrium, and Lana Ernst at Miami Valley Hospital.

## **Our Prayers & Sympathy are**



**Extended** to the family and friends of Gerald "Red" Dakin who died Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup>.

#### Wanted: In-Home Care ASAP!

Would you be interested in providing in-home care to a female parishioner a few days a week and a couple hours a day. in the Middletown area? This woman needs assistance with light housework and making a meal or two. If you believe you have these qualifications and can meet these needs, please call the parish office today 513-422-0602 so the office staff can get your information and refer you to the parishioner. We are looking to fill this position ASAP!

### Advent Wreath, Explained!



The Advent Wreath as we know it today is a modern spin on an ancient practice - or rather, several of them.

Christians have always utilized candles to illustrate the metaphor of Christ as the "great light" shining on a people waiting in darkness (Isaiah 9:2). Historian tell us that pre-Christian societies in Europe also viewed candles as symbolic of the coming light of spring, and may have used wreaths of natural material along with these candles. Traditions and rituals surrounding an "Advent Wreath" are often thought to have originated in the Lutheran tradition in 16th-century Germany. Today, Advent Wreaths are a practice embraced by most Christians in the Western World.

An Advent Wreath consists of a circle of evergreen and four candles, one for each week of Advent. Three of the candles are purple; one is rose, representing Gaudete Sunday, a time of rejoicing at the closeness of Christmas. In Catholicism, Advent Wreaths are blessed on the First Sunday of Advent. For Advent Wreaths in private homes, it is appropriate for a family member to perform the blessing. **©LPi** 

## HOLY FAMILY

## St. John XXIII Catholic School Pre-K to Grade 8

Traditional Values • Exceptional Education Principal Mrs. Dawn Pickerill 513-424-1196





## Help Us Build the Field & Festival Facility

This 4200 square foot facility will be equipped with HVAC, insulation, and plumbing. It will provide restrooms for athletic and outdoor events held at St. John XXIII Catholic School. The facility will house office space as well as ample storage for school, athletic, and Festival supplies and equipment.



Visit www.stjohn23school.org or scan the QR code to make a donation today!



## Morning Latchkey/Kindergarten Assistant **Hourly Wage**

Daily Hours Monday 6:15am-12:15pm Tuesday 6:15am-12:15pm Wednesday 6:15am-11:15am Thursday 6:15am-2:30pm Friday 6:15am-2:30pm

Qualifications/Requirements: High School Diploma or Equivalent Start Date: Position Open Immediately

**Email Resumes to** Principal Mrs. Dawn Pickerill dpickerill@stjohn23school.org

Job Summary: The morning latchkey teacher is onsite at 6:15am and is prepared to receive students at 6:30am into the AM Latchkey program. He/she sets out games, puzzles, art supplies, etc. for students to play with until 7:30am when students are dismissed to the gym. The latchkey teacher will put away supplies and walk a preschool student to their classroom before transitioning to the kindergarten assistant position. As kindergarten assistant, he/she will help the teacher by

working with small groups, providing students with sensory breaks, making copies, assisting with a daily lunch/recess duty, etc.



## **Baptism Preparation Class** Wednesday, December 10<sup>th</sup> 7 PM



St. John Rectory

If you are expecting your first baby or want your first child baptized we ask that you attend a baptism preparation class, offered quarterly throughout the year. Call the parish office 513-422-0602 to register for the baptismal preparation class.

## **Bless the Children Ceremony**





Our parish 2<sup>nd</sup> Graders are preparing to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist. Joined by their parents, they will take part in this very special Bless the Children Ceremony.

We hope you'll join us in the St. John Undercroft for coffee, juice and donuts immediately following the 10:30 AM Mass next week!

#### **Annual 365 Lotto**

\*\* The FINAL turn in date is January 31, 2026, \*\*

St. John XXIII School is selling tickets for the Annual 365 Lotto where a winning ticket is drawn every day of the year. It's possible

"365 LOTTO" 365 Daily Prizes Will Be Awarded 3 \$1,000.00 prizes on Easter, 4th of July & Christma 12 \$ 500.00 prizes on all first Mondays

to win more than once because winning tickets are returned to the hopper and only 5000 tickets are sold. Prize money will be mailed to the winners. To participate in the lotto, complete the form below and send it along with \$20/ a ticket to: St. John XXIII Catholic School 3806 Manchester Rd, Middletown, OH 45042 ATTN: Monica Cummins The official ticket will be filled out and the stub will be mailed back to you.

Name	
Address	
City	
State	_Zip
Phone	

## HOLY NAME OF JESUS

## **Prayer List....** Pray for the Sick at Holy

Name of Jesus: Orville Brown, Deacon Bill & Jean Schaefer, Sue Harris, Steve Drake, Becky Hedges-Kamps., Jose Gonzalez, Raymond Martin, Wendall Draman, Bebe Orth, Blair and Casey Mitchell, Teresa Adams, Nancy Carroll, Brenda Hicks, Diane Frain, Anna Hunsinger, Rob Burgher, Adam Willke, Doug Ritter, Betty Issacs, Agnes Kuzma, Paul Foley, Tina Smetek, Trevor Lacey & Dr. Thomas Willke. If you want to be on this list, or have recovered & would like to be removed from this list, please call the office.

## **Traveling Chalice....**

#### For Vocations to the Priesthood:

Bob and Sue Kennel received the chalice on November 23 and will have it until December 7. Deacon Larry & Diane Gronas will receive the chalice on December 7 after 8:30 am Mass. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please contact the office. When to **return the chalice?** Anytime during the week before Sunday. Deacon Larry requests that you leave the chalice on the altar rail.

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS.... Please continue to pray for the priests in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati!

A list of priests to pray for this week is available on the table in the back of the church.

#### **Financial Stewardship Summary**

20th Sunday of fiscal year as of 11/16/2025

**Last Week Year to Date** 

Parish Needs: \$ 94,200 \$ 4,710 \$ 2,757 \$ 76,602 Parish Receipts:

> Total Envelopes Used: 24 Total Electronic Givers: 17

#### Note: Fiscal year budget for 7/1/2025 to 6/30/2026 is \$244,920

This week's receipts: Sunday & Holy Day Offerings - \$2,645,

Mass Stipends - \$5, Purgatorial Society - \$25, Maintenance: Snow - \$50, & Candles - \$32

**Designated Collection: Catholic Campaign for Human** 

Development - \$343

Your generosity helps us do God's work. Thank you!

### Sympathy & Prayers

Our condolences and prayers go out to the family & friends of Tom Bulach, who passed away Nov. 14th. His funeral was held Thursday, Nov. 20th at Holy Name.

Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon him.

## **Knights of Columbus - Coats/** Clothing/Essentials Collection...



Thank you to all those who donated for this worthy cause!

#### LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR DECEMBER 7

	SUNDAY 8:30 am Mass	
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Rebecca Lewis (1)	
LOCHARISTIC WIINISTERS	Bill Jones (2)	
SERVERS	Alison Hasler	
SERVERS	Brianna Kyle	
READER(S)	Chris Lewis (1)	
USHERS	Virgil Harris	
USHERS	Bob Kennel	
COMMUNION HOMEBOUND		
	Mary Draman	
COLLECTION TEAM	Chris Lewis	
	Debbie Peter	

The Giving Tree...Please return all gifts this Sunday, November 30th. All donations will be taken to Harlan, KY the first week of December. Thank you!

## **ENLC Advent - Share the Joy**

The Share the Joy program will run Nov. 29 through Dec. 21. There will be gift tags in a basket near Mary's altar, please take one or two to provide much needed items for the Elizabeth New Life center.. please be generous. A box will be on Mary's altar for cash donations, make check out to Elizabeth New Life Center. Thank you for supporting Mothers and their babies.

## HOLY NAME OF JESUS

#### Advent Breakfast...

The annual teacher's Advent Breakfast will be after the 8:30 am Mass on Sunday December 7th. All are welcome to join us afterward! Something different this year is that we will be decorating the Jesse Tree during class the Wednesday prior, so it will already be up for the breakfast. Hope to see everyone there!

### **Purgatorial Society...**

Don't forget to enroll your deceased loved ones in the Purgatorial Society Masses for 2026. You may enroll your loved ones using the familiar red envelopes located in the pamphlet racks. A stipend of \$5.00 per name is requested (cash or checks made out to Holy Name) and there is no limit to the number of loved ones you are able to enroll.

#### Young at Heart...Young at **Heart for December - SUNDAY, DEC**

**7** @ **6:00** pm... Parishioners 50 and older are invited to attend our monthly social in the Parish Hall. It will be **Advent Treat NIGHT**. Please **bring cookies for homebound** parishioners; a seasonal dish, finger food, or dessert to share; items for our local food pantry; and a game to play. Meetings are held on the last Sunday of each month, unless otherwise announced. Contact - Diane Gronas at 726 -4436 or dianegronas@zoomtown.com.

### **Events in the Holy Name of Jesus Parish**

Saturday, November 29

Sunday, November 30 7:30 - 8:00 am Confessions

8:30 am Mass - First Sunday of

Advent

Giving Tree & KoC Clothing/ **Essentials Drive - Last day for** 

donating

Monday, December 1

Tuesday, December 2 8:30 am Mass

6:30 pm-OCIA in church basement

Wednesday, December 3 8:30 am Mass

6:30 - 7:45 pm PSR Classes

Thursday, December 4

8:30 am Mass 9:00 - Noon Exposition &

Adoration

7:00 pm - Knights of Columbus Meeting w/Rosary @ 6:30 pm

Friday, December 5 Saturday, December 6

7:30 - 8:00 am Confessions Sunday, December 7

8:30 am Mass

\*\* Welcome Weekend - coffee & donuts after Mass \*\*

\* Advent Breakfast Parish Hall \*

6:00 pm - Young at Heart in

Parish Hall

This year, Welcome Weekend and the Advent Breakfast are on the same day, Sunday, December 7 after 8:30 pm Mass. So come grab a donut at the Welcome Weekend table and then head over to the Parish Hall for breakfast provided by the PSR Teachers. A double treat this year!



Mass Intentions for the Week				
Day	Date	Mass	For	Requested By
Sunday	11/30	8:30 am	Paul & Joe Kuzma	Agnes Kuzma & Family
Tuesday	12/2	8:30 am	Purgatorial Society	
Wednesday	12/3	8:30 am	Paul Anderson	Daniel & Sheri Randall
Thursday	12/4	8:30 am	Bob Edwards	Jim & Betty Hogg
Sunday	12/7	8:30 am	People of the Parish	

## OUR LADY OF SORROWS

Stewardship Information will resume soon.

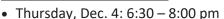


#### **SCAN TO GIVE**

Or visit: give.olosmonroe.com/give

LITURGICAL MINISTERS December 6 – 7				
MASS	Saturday 4:00 pm	Sunday 10:30 am		
COORDINATOR	Joyce Adkins	Teresa Johnson		
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Bonnie Arend Joyce Bath Barb Dineen Mary Varga Ileen Ziemba	Rick Bacon Chris Baumgardner Steve Baumgardner Annette Lauer Jenny Schwarz Rose Thiemann		
SERVERS	Ben Wilcox	Bruce Hatfield Philip Pifher		
GREETER	Diane Coch	Kim McBee		
READERS	Vicky Gerber(1) Mark Redmond (2)	Marcus Heath (1) Cecilia Bosticco (2)		
USHERS	Chuck Sperrick Tom Schindler	Paul Kavalauskas Teresa Pifher		
HOSPITALITY	Amy Wilford Scott Wilford	Larry Cox Shon Cox		
COLLECTION TEAM		Dottie Collins Mike Collins		

## **Music Ministry News: Adult Choir Schedule:**



- Monday, Dec. 8: Feast of the Immaculate Conception - 8:30 am mass at OLOS, 7:00 pm mass at Holy Name in Trenton.
- Thursday, Dec. 18: 6:30 8:30 pm
- Wednesday, Dec. 24th: Christmas Eve mass. Carols begin at 2:30. Mass begins at 3:00 pm.
- Thursday, Dec. 25th: Christmas Morning: meet at 9:45 to prepare for 10:30 am
- Wednesday, Dec. 31: 3:00 mass. Meet at 2:15 pm in Church to prepare.
- Thursday, Jan. 1: 10:30 am mass. Meet at 9:45 am to prepare.
- Sunday, Jan. 4: 10:30 am mass. Meet at 9:45 am to prepare. 2:00 - 6:00 pm. Christmas party at my house!!!!

#### Children's Choir: Ages 7 - 13

- Tuesday Night Rehearsals: 5:30 pm at OLOS Church.
- Children will sing one song on Sunday, December 7th for the 10:30 am mass as well as 2-3 songs for the Christmas Eve Service.
- January 4th 10:30 am mass for the Feast of the Epiphany.
- There will be a Christmas Party at my home January 4th from 2:00-6:00 pm

#### **Calling All Instrumentalists**

We need YOU to play Christmas Eve mass! Last year we had wonderful, home-grown high school talent – and we hope to have it again this year – contact Michelle Markert at: olosmusicministry@gmail.org



**Advent Tree Is Up....**Our Advent "Giving Tree" is set up and decorated in the Gathering Space so you can take advantage of Black Friday sales! We will once again be assisting needy families registered with Middletown Choice Pantry. Just take an ornament off the tree for whatever you wish to purchase or donate. Anything listed on the ornaments are only suggestions; you may purchase the item, or choose something within your budget. All gifts and food should be returned by Sunday, **December 14th** so they can be delivered the following weekend. **Thank you!** 

## OUR LADY OF SORROWS

## **Keep Christ in** Christmas (KCIC)



The Knights of Columbus Council is offering car/fridge magnets (\$5 donation each), Christmas cards (\$10 per box) and ornaments (\$2 each, 3 for \$5). See the display in the vestibule of the church. Proceeds will go to Chair Force One and/or Operation Ramp It Up. Both non-profit organizations support individuals battling ALS and those mobility needs that go along with it. If you cannot afford the donation, but would like a magnet or ornament, please feel free to take one and spread the Good News of Christmas.

## FIRST FRUITS

## **November First Fruits Living**

**Opportunity...**This year we will learn about First Fruits Living by highlighting ministries, community events, and ways to give of your time talent and treasure. The November Ministry focus is Family Services of Middletown.

#### How can I get involved?

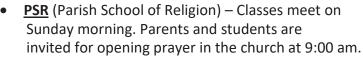
See the poster in the gathering space for specific opportunities.

## **Pray-N-Play Sessions...** Parents



of toddlers and preschoolers! Session time may include stories, crafts, music, and of course PLAY! These are intended for children ages 2 - 5 (not yet in kindergarten). At least one parent should be in attendance with their child. *The next* session is Sunday, December 14th from 9:00 - 9:45 am. Registration is not required. Questions, contact Gene in the parish office at 513-539-8061 or olos@olopeace.com.

#### **Religious Education Corner....**





- Baptism Are you expecting or recently had a baby if so congratulations! Please contact Gene for prep, dates and details.
- OCIA (formerly RCIA) Sessions have begun. If you are interested, or know someone who is interested in learning more about our Catholic faith, contact the church office for more details!
- Blue Sheets are a great way to prepare for next week's Gospel reading. Available in the Gathering Space.
- **Small Church Communities**—Takes a break until January.
- Pray N Play Next Session December 14th from 9:00 9:45 am.

### **Mass Intentions & Events at Our Lady of Sorrows**

Saturday, November 29

3:00 - 3:30 pm Confessions in the Reconciliation Chapel

4:00 pm Mass **甘 Sr. Anne Schulz** 

Sunday, November 30 First Sunday of Advent 10:30 am Mass For the People of the Parish

Monday, December 1

8:30 am Mass † Jim Meehan

Eucharistic Exposition & Benediction 9:00 - 10:00 am

Tuesday, December 2

6:30 pm Rosary in the Daily Mass Chapel

Wednesday, December 3

6:30 - 7:00 pmConfessions in the Reconciliation Chapel

**†** LaVerne Runtz

Thursday, December 4

6:00 pm Mass

Friday, December 5

8:30 am

9:00 am Mass

9:00 - 10:15 am

10:30 am Mass

Morning Prayer (Lauds)

† Rita Steele

Saturday, December 6 3:00 - 3:30 pm Confessions in the Reconciliation Chapel

4:00 pm Mass † Eugene & Martha Haas

Sunday, December 7 **Second Sunday of Advent** 

Parish School of Religion Grades K-8

† Robert & Mary Philhower

## Indoor Rosary Has Begun...Tuesdays at 6:30 pm!



Come join us in the Daily Mass Chapel! Rosaries and prayer cards will be provided, if needed.



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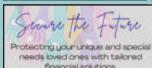
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